

Message Text

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

PAGE 01 MOSCOW 03477 122015Z

71

ACTION EUR-25

INFO OCT-01 NEA-10 ISO-00 CIAE-00 DODE-00 PM-07 H-03

INR-10 L-03 NSAE-00 NSC-07 PA-04 RSC-01 PRS-01 SPC-03

SS-20 USIA-15 ACDA-19 SAJ-01 NIC-01 DRC-01 /132 W

----- 073663

R 122000Z MAR 74

FM AMEMBASSY MOSCOW

TO SECSTATE WASHDC 6801

INFO AMEMBASSY ATHENS

AMEMBASSY ANKARA

AMCONSUL LENINGRAD

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE MOSCOW 3477

E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: PFOR, UR, GR

SUBJ: IZVESTIYA ON GREEK-SOVIET RELATIONS

REF: A. ATHENS 1439

B. ATHENS 1480

1. IZVESTIYA ARTICLE (REFTELS) ON GREEK-SOVIET RELATIONS (MARCH 6) DOES NOT STRIKE US AS SIGNIFICANT DEPARTURE FROM USUAL SOVIET LINE EXPRESSING READINESS FOR IMPROVED RELATIONS BUT TYING IMPROVEMENT TO BEHAVIOR OF GREEK GOVERNMENT IN AREAS OF INTEREST TO USSR.

2. AUTHOR SVETLOV, AS BEFITS OCCASION FOR HIS ARTICLE, WAXES ELOQUENT ON FAMILIAR THEME OF PAST COOPERATION OF SOVIET AND GREEK "PEOPLES" AND HOLDS OUT OPPORTUNITY OF FURTHER DEVELOPMENT OF COOPERATION ON INTERGOVERNMENTAL BASIS.

3. HOWEVER, ARTICLE TAKES PREDICTABLE TOUGH LINE ON "FORCES" INSIDE AND OUTSIDE GREECE WHO ARE CASTING
LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

PAGE 02 MOSCOW 03477 122015Z

SHADOW OVER GREEK-SOVIET RELATIONS BY DRAWING GREECE

INTO NATO'S ANTI-SOVIET ORBIT. SVETLOV OFFERS OLIVE
BRANCH SUGGESTING ACTIVE GREEK ROLE IN IMPROVING INTER-
NATIONAL SITUATION IN UN, CSCE, AND MBFR TALKS WOULD
HAVE POSITIVE EFFECT ON GREEK-SOVIET RELATIONS. THORN
APPEARS WHEN HE TIES THIS TO "REALISTIC AND RESPONSIBLE"
ACTIONS BY GREEK GOVERNMENT.

4. ADDITIONALLY, SVETLOV RESERVES COMMENT ON GREEK-
SOVIET RELATIONS FOR RELATIONS BETWEEN TWO PEOPLES.
HE ALSO REFERS POINTEDLY TO REPRESSION OF GREEK PATRIOTS.
THUS, IN OUR VIEW, ARTICLE DOES NOTHING SUBSTANTIAL TO
MODIFY THE SOVIET NEGATIVE VIEW OF THE PRESENT GREEK
REGIME.
STOESSEL

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

NNN

Message Attributes

Automatic Decaptioning: X
Capture Date: 01 JAN 1994
Channel Indicators: n/a
Current Classification: UNCLASSIFIED
Concepts: FOREIGN RELATIONS, INTERGOVERNMENTAL COOPERATION
Control Number: n/a
Copy: SINGLE
Draft Date: 12 MAR 1974
Decaption Date: 01 JAN 1960
Decaption Note:
Disposition Action: RELEASED
Disposition Approved on Date:
Disposition Authority: morefirh
Disposition Case Number: n/a
Disposition Comment: 25 YEAR REVIEW
Disposition Date: 28 MAY 2004
Disposition Event:
Disposition History: n/a
Disposition Reason:
Disposition Remarks:
Document Number: 1974MOSCOW03477
Document Source: CORE
Document Unique ID: 00
Drafter: n/a
Enclosure: n/a
Executive Order: N/A
Errors: N/A
Film Number: n/a
From: MOSCOW
Handling Restrictions: n/a
Image Path:
ISecure: 1
Legacy Key: link1974/newtext/t19740350/aaaabvcq.tel
Line Count: 75
Locator: TEXT ON-LINE
Office: ACTION EUR
Original Classification: LIMITED OFFICIAL USE
Original Handling Restrictions: n/a
Original Previous Classification: n/a
Original Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Page Count: 2
Previous Channel Indicators:
Previous Classification: LIMITED OFFICIAL USE
Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Reference: A. ATHENS 1439
Review Action: RELEASED, APPROVED
Review Authority: morefirh
Review Comment: n/a
Review Content Flags:
Review Date: 14 MAY 2002
Review Event:
Review Exemptions: n/a
Review History: RELEASED <14 MAY 2002 by elyme>; APPROVED <11 JUN 2002 by morefirh>
Review Markings:

Declassified/Released
US Department of State
EO Systematic Review
30 JUN 2005

Review Media Identifier:
Review Referrals: n/a
Review Release Date: n/a
Review Release Event: n/a
Review Transfer Date:
Review Withdrawn Fields: n/a
Secure: OPEN
Status: NATIVE
Subject: IZVESTIYA ON GREEK-SOVIET RELATIONS
TAGS: PFOR, UR, GR
To: STATE
Type: TE
Markings: Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 30 JUN 2005